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SUBJECT: AUGUST 10 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

EA'S HUMMEL ARRIVED BANGKOK SATURDAY FOR 3-DAY VISIT, SAW SENI. PM TOLD PRESS THAT HUMMEL SAID US POLICY IN THAILAND, SEA "VERY MUCH DEPENDS ON THE OUTCOME OF THE U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION" (AP, NYDN).

RTG CABINET DECIDES REOPEN FURTHER CROSSING POINTS ON BORDER WITH LAOS BUT FINAL DECISION ON HOW MANY, WHERE, AND WHEN AWAITS TALKS BETWEEN MINISTRIES, THAI NSC (REUTER BANGKOK). NCNA SAYS THAI COMMUNISTS SHOT DOWN 39 AIRCRAFT, PUT OVER 2000 RTG TROOPS OUT OF ACTION IN LESS THAN YR (REUTER HK).

THAI POLICE ARREST UNLICENSED SKIPPER WHOSE FERRYBOAT UNCLASSIFIED

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CAPSIZED, DROWNING 27; CHARGE HIM WILL ILLEGAL OPERATION BOAT, DRUNKEDNESS. SKIPPER GAVE OCCUPATION AS TAXI DRIVER (UPI, LAT 8/9).

HMG, CAMBODIA AGREE EXCHANGE AMBS. UK AMB IN PEKING WILL ALSO ACT AS AMB TO PP, COMMUTE (UPI, WP).

NHAN DAN ACCUSES US HELPING S AF GOVT CURB RIOTS BY BLACKS BY SUPPLYING C-130S TO EQUIP COMMANDO UNITS (REUTER HK).

2. BURMA

3 TERRORIST BOMBINGS IN 5 DAYS KILL 5, WOUND 76. LATEST WAS NEAR DOWNTOWN RANGOON THEATER FRI. GOVT BELIEVES BOMBERS FROM 1 OF MANY EXILE, INSURGENT GROUPS THAT OPERATE FROM NEAR THAI BORDER. NO ARRESTS MADE (AP LAT 8/9, NYT).

3. PHILIPPINES

BURNS (SFCHRON 8/3) INTERVIEWS 2 FIL EXILES, FORMER MARCOS AIDE MIJARES, ONETIME MANILA LAWYER QUIJANO, WHO INTEND TRY DISSUADE 1.5 MILLION FILS LIVING IN US FROM SUPPORTING MARCOS. SAYS HOPE OFFSET MARTIAL LAW REGIME AIM TO BUILD SUPPORT IN US. NOTES MIJARES WILL BE SELLING BOOK, "THE CONJUGAL DICTATORSHIP OF FERDINAND-IMELDA MARCOS I," ON NATIONWIDE TRIP. ADDS PAIR EXPECTS VISIT 35 STATES IN 5-6 WKS.

PHIL COCONUT PRODUCTION EXPECTED INCREASE SHARPLY IN 1976, WITH PRODUCTION, EXPORT GAINS OF 34, 20 PCT RESPECTIVELY (CNS, JOC).

4. INDONESIA

GOI INTRODUCES DEATH PENALTY FOR DRUG PUSHERS (CSM).

INDO WHEAT IMPORTS EXPECTED OVER MILLION MT IN 1975-6, WITH RICE IMPORTS ESTIMATED 1.5 MILLION MT 1976-7. PALM OIL EXPORTS ESTIMATED 400,000 ;T THIS YR; INDO DID UNCLASSIFIED

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NOT SUCCEED IN BECOMING MAJOR CORN EXPORTER AS PRODUCTION FELL (JOC).

5. CHINA

NEW TREMOR, APPARENTLY AFTERSHOCK FROM EARLIER QUAKE, HIT PEKING 8/9 WITH MAGNITUDE 5 ON RICHTER SCALE; NO DAMAGE REPORTED (AP, NYDN; WSJ; CSM; CHITRIB). LATE REUTER ITEM SAYS CHINESE SEISMOLOGISTS REPORTED 6 MORE TREMORS IN N CHINA QUAKE DISASTER ZONE. OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN TELEPHONED JOURNALISTS/EMBASSIES WARNING THAT "FAIRLY STRONG EARTHQUAKE MAY OCCUR" IN COMING DAYS.

FIRST OFFICIAL USE ROMANIZED SCRIPT BEGUN IN NW SINKIANG
UNDER PROGRAM BEGUN BY MAO'S DIRECTIVE 25 YRS AGO.

LANGUAGE PLAN ATTEMPT CONVERT 50,000 IDEOGRAPHS IN WRIT-
TEN CHINESE INTO SIMPLE ALPHABET (UPI, WP).

TYPHOON BILLIE, W/115 MPH WINDS, HIT N TAIWAN TODAY,
KILLING 1, DAMAGING HOUSES, DISRUPTING ELECTRICITY SUP-
PLY (REUTER).

6. KOREA

CHARGE STERN/DEP PM NAM DUCK-SOO SIGNED FOOD -FOR-PEACE
SALES AGREEMENT MON. US WILL SUPPLY SK ADDITIONAL
100,000 TONS WHEAT, VALUED 14 MILLION DOLS (AP, SEOUL).

7. JAPAN

TANAKA SECY ENOMOTO, ANA EXECS OHKUBO, ITOH INDICTED MON
ON CHARGE HELPED CHANNEL 1.6 DOL ILLEGAL LOCKHEED PAYMENTS
TO FORMER PM 1973-74 (AP, NYT, WSJ; REUTER, TOKYO).
JAPANESE PRESS PREDICTING IMMANENT ARREST UP TO 30
DIETMEN, SEVERAL FORMER/CURRENT CABINET MEMBERS SAID
TO HAVE TAKEN LOCKHEED BRIBES FROM ANA; NAKASONE,
HASHIMOTO, NIKAIDO, LDP OFFICIAL KOKO SATO, TANAKA
BUSINESS ASSOCIATE KENJI OSANO NAMED MOST OFTEN (SEIDEN,
SUN).

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LDP GOV FUKUSHIMA PREF ARRESTED FRI ON CHARGE TOOK 60,000
DOL BRIBE FROM FIRM FORMERLY HEADED BY KODAMA. CASE
NOT RELATED LOCKHEED. KIMURA IS CHAIRMAN NATL ASSN
GOVS. SHOWS BRIBERY NOT LIMITED LOCKHEED CASE, BUT
"RATHER WIDESPREAD" THROUGHOUT JAPAN, AND POLICE/
PROSECUTORS NOW EAGER CRACK DOWN ON GRAFT (JAMESON, LAT
8/7).

TREASURY'S YEO ARRIVED TOKYO TUES. WILL DISCUSS TRADE,
MONETARY, ECON PROBLEMS WITH FUKUDA, OHIRA, BANK OF
JAPAN GOV MORINAGA, ACCORDING MOF SPOKESMAN (REUTER,
TOKYO). EXPECTED WARN AGAINST LIKELIHOOD 5 BILLION DOL
US TRADE DEFICIT WITH JAPAN (CULLISON, JOC).

DOJ FILED SUIT AGAINST HARRY KEARNS MONDAY, FOR 325,000
DOLS. CHARGE CONFLICT OF INTEREST AS HEAD EX-IM BANK
IN SALE OF SIAM KRAFT PAPER CO STOCK AT INFLATED PRICE
TO MITSUI-USA 1972. KEARNS LABELED MOVE "CONTINUATION
OF THE VENDETTA" STARTED BY SEN PROXMIRE (GOSHSKO, WP).

MIKI TOLD 10,000 AT MON SERVICE COMMEMORATING NAGASAKI
A-BOMB THAT WORLD PEACE WOULD NOT COME UNLESS MANKIND

SPARED NUKE THREAT; NAGASAKI SHOULD BE "LAST VICTIM" OF A-BOMB (REUTER, LAT 8/9; AP, NAGASAKI).

OECD ISSUED ANNUAL REVIEW JAPAN ECON MON. SUGGESTED GNP GROWTH MAY REACH 7 PCT FIRST HALF 1977. SAID EXPORT BOOM MAY BE PROLONGED BEYOND CURRENT FORECASTS. SAW MODERATE INCREASE EMPLOYMENT (RYAN, JOC). ALSO SAID JAPAN TAMED INFLATION OVER PAST TWO YEARS, BUT MUST MOVE CAREFULLY TO EXPAND WITHOUT INVITING NEW INFLATIONARY SURGE (UPI, NYT, WP).

ITC 3-3-VOTE MON CLEARED WAY FOR IMPOSITION ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON JAPANESE ACRYLIC SHEET (JOC, WASHINGTON).

PRINCE HIRO WENT ON SECOND OVERSEAS TRIP, OVER WEEKEND. WILL BE GUEST OF KING/QUEEN BELGIUM, VISIT THEIR VILLA GRANADA, SPAIN, LATER (NYT).

POLICE REPORT 41 FISHERMEN/SWIMMERS DROWNED, 16 MISSING UNCLASSIFIED

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AS 13TH TYPHOON OF YEAR HIT PAC COAST (AP, CHITRIB, NYDN).

WSJ (TOKYO) SAYS MOF UNDER PRESSURE RESTRAIN CORPORATE FUND-RAISING ABROAD BY JAPANESE FIRMS OF ALREADY-HEFTY INFLOW FOREX EARNINGS. SECURITIES ANALYSTS EXPECT SHARP DROP OVERSEAS BORROWING INCOMING MONTHS. COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

8. LOS

KILLIAN (CHITRIB) DOES DERISORY WRITEUP ON "1457TH SESSION" OF UN LOS CONFERENCE AT BERMUDA THAT OPENED 8/10/80 WITH RINGING CALL BY HAK FOR "IMMEDIATE... INITIATIVES TO AVERT A PLANETARY CATASTROPHE." SAYS SILENCE THAT FOLLOWED REMARKS DUE FACT MOST DELEGATES PLAYING GOLF. RECOUNTS EXTRAVAGANT CLAIMS OF MANY COUNTRIES. REPORTS AFTER BREAK FOR MIXED BADMINTON DOUBLES, DECIDED SERVE COCKTAILS; THEN ADJOURNED TO RECONVENE NEXT SPRING AT MONACO.

9. OLYMPICS

GREELEY (NYDN) CALLS GAMES VICIOUS CON GAME, WITH YOUNG PEOPLE USED AS PAWNS IN VICIOUS, LOW POLITICS. SUGGESTS CANADIANS BE TOSSED OUT OF FUTURE GAMES FOR GOING BACK ON WORD, NOT LETTING ROC; CALLS EXPLOITATION OF HOST'S POSITION "SHAMEFUL TRICK," WITH FAILURE IOC CANCEL GAMES HYPOCRITICAL. ALSO ADVISES AFRICAN COUNTRIES BE EXPELLED FOR ATTEMPT BLACKMAIL NZ. CALLS PRC "RACIST" DUE OPPRESSION NON-HAN ETHNIC GROUPS WITHIN BORDERS. CALL NZ 1 OF FEW JUST MULTIRACIAL SOCIETIES IN WORLD.

10. CHINA

BEECH (NYDN 8/6) STATES CHINESE ANALYSTS IN TOKYO FORE-
SEE EVEN GREATER UNCERTAINTY FOR FUTURE PRC LEADERSHIP
AS RESULT EARTHQUAKE. BEECH NOTES NATURAL DISASTERS
FOSTER ANCIENT SUPERSTITIONS THAT RULER HAS LOST MAN-
DATE OF HEAVEN, SAYS AS ABSURD AS MAY SEEM TO WESTERN
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